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# **CHICAGOANS** TO ATTEND **PUMA GAME**

**DECISION GROWS FROM** ROUND TABLE TALK HELD AT SIEBEN'S

CHICAGO.—Plans to attend St. Joe's final home game were made at a meeting of the Cook County Chapter, January 28, at Sieben's. The game will be against Central Normal, February 13.

The meeting opened with 13 members present, soon a fourteenth dropped in, and finally the number stood at sixteen. As Father Sylvester Ley said, "The meeting opened with a rondeau of members present, developed into a sonnet soon thereafter, and closed with 16 members and the singing of Auld Lang Stein."

A telegram was dispatched to Coach Joe Dienhart and the Pumas who were playing Central Normal, at Danville, Ind.

St. Joseph's was represented at the meeting by the Very Rev. Dr. Aloys Dirksen, the Rev. Clement St. Joe, '23. How'd you know I Falter, and Father Ley.

The secretary, Vincent Boeke, announced that a number of letters had been received from St. Joe students expressing their appreciation for the alumni-student

round table discussion to decide They all do it." ways and means of having Chicago alumni get together informally from time to time.

Some of the alumni advocated golf, and fishing for bringing the members together for social purposes, others suggested a steak fry in the woods, but most of the old grads present agreed with the Sieben brothers that the best way of getting together would be to go to St. Joe en masse for some

## Pauley Can Spot St. Joe Alumnus In Any Crowd

Maurice J. Pauley, '08-'09, executive secretary of the Softball Association of America, claims that he can spot a St. Joe man in any crowd. Frank C. Quirk, Jr., president of the Cook County Chapter, backs up Pauley's statement with this story:

"Shortly after I left St Joe some twenty years ago, I dropped into a Chicago sports goods store to buy some sweat sox. It was winter. As I skipped down the stairway into the bargain basement, I notice an oasis of fake palm trees. It had been set up to show sports lovers what was in store for them in Florida.

"As I reached the last step, I noticed that all the salesmen seemed busy; so I lit a cigaret and waited. Soon one of the salesmen came barging up to me with hand extended, and boomed, 'I'm Pauley, St. Joe, '09.'

"Feebly I mumbled, 'I'm Quirk, was a St. Joe alumnus?'

"Pauley laughed and explained, 'When you idled up behind that tree, lit a cigarette, cupped it in your hand, and then hurriedly glanced around as though you were looking for Father Bart, I Art Flood suggested holding a knew you were a St. Joe man. year are now with the army in

## **Ohioans Notice**

The Midwestern Ohio alumni chapter will hold its annual banquet, at 7 p. m. Sunday, March 9, in the newly built school at St. Anthony, O.

Signed:

MYRON G. HUELSMAN, '34, Secretary.

### **BUGLE CALLS**



NORB DREILING

The old man with the grey whiskers will beckon Norb Dreiling, of Hoxie, Kan., into military service, Feb. 15. The alumnus, who has two brothers priests in the Society of the Precious Blood, received his diploma in June, 1938, with the first class to be graduated from St. Joseph's Senior College.

Military service also occupies the time of the Rev. Ferd Evans, '26-'28, a chaplain at Camp Shelby, Miss. Until recently he was the assistant director of Catholic Charities, in Cincinnati.

Two men who left St. Joe last Charles Sweet is a member of the 47th Pursuit Squadron F, Wheeler Field, and Lawrence Bechler gives his address as Headquarters Squad, 11th group, Hickam Field.

Joseph Sanislo, '26-'31, is at Fort Hayes, Columbus, O.

CONTACT requests that every alumnus who is called to military duty reports the fact by post

# PRESIDENT REVEALS DRIVE FACTS

ONE TENTH OF ALUMNI GIVE ALMOST THIRD OF FIELDHOUSE QUOTA

A little better than one third of the members of the Alumni Association have donated almost a third of the Fieldhouse Fund quota.

Only 300 donors have been responsible for the \$20,000 that has been received in cash and pledges, according to a report issued from the office of the Very Rev. Dr. Aloys Dirksen, C.PP.S., president.

"The fact that a minority of the members have carried the drive to near the one third mark only shows the potentialities of the Alumni Association," Father Dirksen said. "If each alumnus gives as much as he can afford, the goal of \$75,000 will be reached in a hurry."

## Alumnus Writes **Magazine Article**

An article by Very Rev. Msgr. William R. Arnold, '96-'02, chief of United States Army Chaplains, appears in the March issue of The American Magazine, along with the picture of the author. The article, entitled "Telling The World," is written in defense of compulsory military training.

## Await Anniversary

Fathers Leo Sponar, James McIntyre, Henry Post, and Theodore Koenn, all members of the Society of the Precious Blood, will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of their ordination,

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Edward W. Fischer - Sylvester H. Ley, C.PP.S.

#### A New Phase At Collegeville

Phase, St. Joe's first yearbook, is growing day by day.

The editors have chosen the Golden Jubilee as their theme. Scenes depicting student life in the various decades will be featured in the book. A history of St. Joseph's will appear within its covers.

The current year will be covered in detail with picture and story. Pictures of the faculty, past presidents, club groups, action shots of athletic events, portraits of the seniors and the juniors, and many other things too numerous to mention will fill the yearbook's pages.

Any alumnus who wishes to reserve a copy of this 150-page volume may do so by writing to the Managing Editor. The price will be \$5.00.

#### What Are You Doin' Feb. 25?

Any alumnus who can possibly be in Col-Tegeville on the night of February 25 should Try his darndest to get here. The C. L. S. will present "Death Takes a Holiday" that evening. The feminine roles will be carried by five young women from Rensselaer.

Rehearsals are under way. Sketches are being drawn, and sets are being built. Rich costumes and scenery will be featured in the play that caught the fancy of movie audiences a few years ago.

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Catholic Theater Guild, of Louisville. Before a full house, the drama group recently scored a success with "You Can't Take It With You." Other alumni who have been members of the guild are Urban Kuhn, '29-'33; David Maloney, '28-'30, and Herman Kirchner, \*28-'32.

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Gordon McKavanagh, '32-'35, of Chicago, was married Thanksgiving Day. Mark Kelly, \*25-'31, of Crawfordsville, was married January 2.

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The Rev. R. J. Marmon, '16-'20, is chaplain of Warner Brown Hospital. ElDorado, 'Ark. He is also engaged organizing a new parish for the colored of that city.

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Alvin F. Hegman, '19-'20, is a cost accountant in Troy, O.

Arnold A. Hackman, '24-'25, is district secretary of the Master Brewer's Association of America. He lives in Cincinnati.

#### **Memoirs Of Alumnus**

Memoirs of the Alumni Association were written by the Rev. James Fitzgerald, '14, pastor at Remington, Ind., while he was association historian in the closing years of the Roarin' Twenties.

The Memoirs are dedicated "To one whose life has greatly influenced by word and deed the lives of the alumni these Memoirs are dedicated to the Rev. August Seifert, C.PP.S., long time the president of St. Joseph's College."

Here is a quotation from the Foreword: "As to the form, matter, and make-up of the Memoirs, an effort was attempted to make them as complete as feasible. The purpose was to make them of interest to all elements of the Association. Life of the Association was arbitrarily divided into three epochs: 'ancient', extending from the beginning to 1903; 'medieval', covering years 1903-1912; 'modern', embracing years from 1913 to the present."

The following are a few paragraphs from Father Fitzgerald's work:

William Brinkman, '92-'96, is a living verification of the adage that "knocks in youth make for success in old age." He bore the brunt of many a fellow man's intrigue in his student days; he is now the auditor who counts his former fellow student's income taxes for Uncle Sam in Washington, D. C. (The current alumni directory credits Alumnus Brinkman with a Washington address, but it does not say whether or not he is still an auditor).

Edward Koenig, '92-'96, was mascot for almost everything on the campus in his student days. He was small in stature, ubiquitous in his activities, and big in his studies.

Ahern, '91-'92, with his white waist front splattered with ink, was a laughable sight, when urged by fellow students, in an effort to avert more serious consequences, he reported to Father Augustine that: "We has a foight,"

George Eder, '93-'95, from Hammond, and one other fortunate fellow student seem to have secured permission from the faculty, via parental permission, to refrain from military maneuvers. George says that one of the greatest thrills of his days at St. Joseph's was to be able to sit on the fence and laugh when troops paraded up and down in laborious strides.

Military affairs went so far as to almost exhaust the ingenuity of some of the more enterprising students. The old veterans from Rensselaer got man thrills out of the bombardment of the fort, especially when Eberle pulled over the saw-off turrents as a climax. It was an improvised but ingenious gun that was mounted on two wagon wheels. It had enough power to startle a horse, half mile away, as the window weight ploughed through the pasture turf.

# THE ROUNDUP



Coach Joe Dienhart

EASTERN ALUMNI will have a chance to see the Pumas in action toward the latter part of this month. St. Joe will play Seton Hall, Feb. 21, at South Orange, N. J.; St. Francis College, Feb. 24, in Brooklyn, and St. Joseph's College, Feb. 25, at Philadelphia.

BOXING was introduced at St. Joe, Feb. 5. The Pumas won three fights to Valparaiso University's two before a packed house in the Rensselaer Armory. For the Pumas, Dick Cropley, bantamweight, from Youngstown, and Augie Sunagel, heavyweight, from Chicago, won on technical knockouts. Bob Hess, welterweight from Piqua, was awarded a decision. For the Uhlans. Fritz Mueller, light heavy, and Willie Hirsch, lightweight, won on decisions. Jack Miller, former professional lightweight, has been engaged as a part time coach for the Pumas. St. Joe will fight at Valparaiso, Feb. 21, and at Culver, March 8.

OUR HIGH SCHOOL basketball team will enter the Indiana Catholic High School Tournament to be held at Fort Wayne, Feb 21, 22, 23.

THE LAST HOME GAME of the season will be played Feb. 13, against Central Normal.

THE BASKETBALL SEASON will close with a game at Valparaiso, March 6.

EIGHTEEN POINTS is the margin held by Neal Mosser, St. Joe forward, in the state scoring race. The former captain of St. Benedict's high, Cambridge, O., set a new all time scoring record in the history of Indiana basketball by amassing 300 points last season. He has 233 points for the first 15 games this year, an average of better than 15 points a game. If he holds the pace he has set for himself, he will break his own record during the remaining six games.

SEVEN STRAIGHT victories were added to our record since last we wrote this column. Eleven victories and four defeats is the way things stand to date.

	Here's the season record:	
74	Huntington College	24
44	Illinois Wesleyan	33
35	Purdue University	42
43	Illinois Normal	40
28	University of Dayton	40
42	Loras College	33
26	University of Toledo	<b>5</b> 5
55	Illinois Wesleyan	56
43	St. Norbert College	31
36	, , ,	34
69	University of Mexico	41
40	. Central Normal	37
58	Valparaiso University	. 36
49	Xavier University	36
55	John Carroll University	41

## **Seniors List Major Interest**

A list of seniors, along with their interests, has been issued by the Dean of Studies office. Any alumnus who thinks he can help place any of these young men after their graduation should get in touch with the Rev. Dr. Henry Lucks, C.PP.S.

Joseph Leugers, Maria Stein O., majored in accounting.

James Scheiber, Tiffin, O., majored in economics and is interested in any type of office work.

Frank Kosinski, East Chicago Ind., interested in teaching biology and chemistry.

James Cosman, Joliet, Ill., majored in economics, is interested in office work.

Robert Conley, Rensselaer, Ind., majored in accounting. Interested in personnel work.

Edward Feldhaus, Rensselaer, Ind., majored in economics. Interested in sales department work.

Herbert Vilim, Chicago, majored in economics. Interested in social work, and teaching.

Owen Thuerk, Chicago, majored in economics. Interested in sales work.

Charles Peitz, Fort Wayne, majored in English. Interested in art work.

Charles Leuthart, New Albany, Ind., majored in biology. Interested in lab work.

William Kozielski, Chicago. Majored in accounting. Interested in any work in business field.

Jacob Forwith, Mansfield, O., majored in physics. Interested in construction work.

Richard Cody, Louisville, Ky., majored in economics.

Raymond Juricich, Canton, Ill., physical education major. Interested in coaching.

Joseph Walter, Akron, O., accounting major.

Florian Lang, Tiffin, O., accounting major. Also interested in any opening in South America. Claude Hisey, Gary, Ind., ac-

counting major.

Firman Thompson, Rensselaer, Ind., accounting major.

William Herber, Fort Wayne, accounting major. Also interested in advertising.

Carroll Blackwell, New Haven, Ind., accounting major.

John O'Grady, Lima, O., interested in accounting or general office work.

Richard Scheiber, Tiffin, O., English major, interested in newspaper and radio work.

# Grads Recall Versatile Man Who Threshed, Refereed, Played

Students who attended St. Joseph's from 1914 until 1920 have a warm spot in their hearts for Louis Pottkoetter, general factorum of all things athletic.



#### LOUIS POTTKOETTER

John R. Seemuth. Tiffiin, O., economics major, interested in buying and selling.

counting major.

John Fischer, Akron, O., accounting major, interested salesmanship and office work.

William Tichenor, Calhoun, Ky., majored in economics, and interested in salesmanship.

Robert Sacksteder, Tiffin, O., majored in accounting. Also interested in publicity.

Dominic Kastre, Dennison, O., history major. Interested teaching.

Gilbert Sullivan, Paris, Ky., accounting major.

Joseph Faulkner, Anchorage, Ky., accounting major.

Jerome Bissler, Kent, O., economics major. Interested in becoming an embalmer and funeral

Charles J. Vichuras, '32-'34, is an electrical controlman for the Ky. Carnegie-Illinois Steel Gary, Ind.

Edward C. Vorholt, '33-'35, of Co., Shelbyville, Ind. Cincinnati, is a U. S. mail clerk.

The St. Joe athlete has been ordained since those days of fast and furious competition between the collegians and Xavier hall. He was pastor at McQuady, Ky., and treasurer at St. Charles Seminary, Carthagena, O. At present he holds the position of superior and procurator of the Precious Blood Mission House at New Cumberland, Pa.

Before coming to the campus, young Pottkoetter played independent basketball and baseball in Fort Wayne. He continued his work at backguard and second baseman after he had enrolled at St. Joe. However, he gave most of his spare time to officiating.

One summer when the threshers came to Collegeville, they found themselves one man shy; so the authorities told Alumnus Pottkoetter to lend a hand. He drew the assignment of handling the blower. This incident, coupled with the fact that he was always blowing a whistle in St. Joe's | hardwood battles, brought him the nickname of "The Blower Man." A fellow student, Tom Edward Ancel, Joliet, Ill., ac-Ryan, was responsible for the monicker. Father Ryan is now superior at the Precious Blood Mission house, at Charlottsville,

> The picture in the adjoining column shows Father Pottkoetter standing in front of the gym, after refereeing one of the battles of the century.

#### TEACHES AT MICHIGAN

Robert T. Nieset, '26-'32, has a fellowship to the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor. He is working for his doctorate in science with biology as his major.

Norbert J. Stechschulte, '25-'26, of Ottawa, O., is a rural mail car-

Edward L. Spalding, '28-'32, is a comptometer clerk for the Fischer Packing Co., Louisville,

James Soller, '33-'35, is a shipping clerk for the Monte Glove

The Rev. Lawrence Schmieder, Francis Walter, '18-'22, is the '25-'26, is a chaplain at the Naval manager of a dairy, in Rensselaer. Training Station, Great Lakes, Ill. McKeesport, Pa.

# HERE and THERE

Francis R. Bienemann, '19-'20, is president of the Security Manufacturing and Contracting Co., Burlington, Wis., and Oswego,

The Rev. William Deutsch, '10-'17, is chaplain at Mt. St. Maryon-the-Fox, boarding high school for girls. St. Charles, Ill.

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James L Burden, '21-'22, Chicago attorney, specializes in insurance and defense negligence cases.

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Fred D. Breit, '93-'95, Evanston, Ill., coal merchant, informed the Alumni Office that until April all of his mail should be sent to Miami Beach, Fla.

The Rev. Joseph Hennes, '13-'16 and '19-'22, of Fort Wayne, diocesan director of C. Y. O., rated the front page of the newspapers a few days ago for bowling a perfect score.

Luke Knapke, '34-'37, is teaching at St. Henry (O.) high school. He is organist and choir director at the church. His father is A. H. Knapke, '98-'02 and '95-'07.

Mathias Zeller, '12-'16, of Michigan City, is an electrician for the Northern Indiana Public Service

Eugene F. Wuest, '25-'27, is an accountant for the Pure Oil Co., Chicago.

Robert J. Wolff, '35-'36, of Cleveland, is a toolmaker.

William R. Wigmore, '13-'18, is an engineer for the Gary Heat, Light, and Water Co.

Ferd Wernert, '10-'11, is a customer service manager for Sears Roebuck & Co., in Evansville, Ind.

Raymond J. Weixler, '28-'30, is a clerk for the Smith-Alsop South Bend Paint Co.

Clarence F. Wallace, '08-'10, is a machinist for the Saranac Industries, Benton Harbor, Mich.

Eugene H. Wabler, '25-'27, is traffic manager of the Rike Kumler Co., Dayton, O.

Martin J. Timm, '22-'23, is the owner of a service station in Michigan City, Ind.

Leonard C. Storch, '26-'32, is a clerk for the National Tube Co.,

# **Set Celebration** For Clergy

The clergy of the Alumni Association will start the various Golden Jubilee celebrations with a Solemn High Mass and dinner at the college on the Feast of the Patronage of St. Joseph, April 30.

The Very Rev. Joseph Marling. provincial of the Society of the Precious Blood, will be celebrant of the Mass which is to start at 9:30. The sermon will be delivered by the Most Rev. John F. Noll, D. D., bishop of the diocese of Fort Wayne. Immediately after the service the Bishop will bless Noll and Xavier halls.

A dinner will be held at 1 p. m. The Rt. Rev. Msgr. Edward Mungovan, '91-'97, vicar-general of the diocese of Fort Wayne, will act as toastmaster.

The Golden Jubilee committee will announce further details of the celebration next month. Celebrations for the laymen are being arranged.

#### CHICAGOANS PLAN TO ATTEND GAME

(Continued From Page One) particular activity.

Frank C. Quirk, Jr., president of the unit, reminded the group that the chapter members will go to Holy Communion and have breakfast in a body sometime during the spring.

Members present at the meeting were: Medard Gabel, Anthony Kirchen, Oscar Sieben, Clarence Sieben, John Kallal, Carl Schmidt, William Coddington, Francis Schumann, George Grieshaber, F. C. Quirk, Vincent Boeke, Harold Arthur Flood, Charles Judy, Pirola, Francis Mathew.

#### ALUMNUS' CHURCH BURNS

St. Mary of the Presentation church, at Irish Settlement, Ind., was destroyed by fire, January 2. Father Leander Linz, '93-'01, is the pastor.

#### SONS BOOST ST. JOE

An interesting letter came from Roman Burger, '10-'14, Tiffin, O., retail shoe merchant. He has a daughter in Marygrove College, Three sons of high school age, Thomas, Robert and John, "are great boosters for St. Joe. They read CONTACT and Stuff religiously." Two daughters are still in grade school.

# Death Claims Two Alumni

Roman Lochtzki, C.PP.S., '25-'28, died January 27, in St. Rose Hospital, St. Louis, after having been ill for eight years. He was buried in the community cemetery at Carthagena, O.

The following letter was received recently at the Alumni Office: Gentlemen:

Will you kindly change the address of F. J. Franzwa from 5725 Kentucky Ave., Detroit to 1126 So. 19th St., Terre Haute, Ind.

Mr. Franzwa died in Detroit on the 12th of December, 1940. I'm making my residence at the above address in Terre Haute and would like the publications sent to that address for the balance of the subscription.

Yours truly, ELENORE FRANZWA. (Mr. Franzwa attended St. Joseph's from 1919 to 1923).

### **VISITOR**



Courtesy Louisville Record

REV. EARL RAUSCH

Revs. James Maloney, '25-'31; Earl Rausch, '28-'34, and Joseph Allgeier, '28-'34, came to St. Joe game. On the following day, they went with the Puma caravan to Danville, Ind., for the Central Normal game.

Father Maloney is chaplain at Ormsby Village, at Anchorage, at St. Elizabeth's church, Louisville, and Father Allgeier is assistant at St. Therese's church, Louisville.

## FIRST STUDENT



REV. CHRISTIAN DANIEL

The first student to enroll at St. Joseph's was Christian Daniel. That was in the fall of '91. Father Daniel is now stationed at Star City, Ind. The pastor of St. Joseph's Church explained that as a layman he was teaching at the Indian School across the highway, while the administration building of St. Joseph's was under construction.

## Sanislo Describes Life In Camp

Alumni about to be caught in the draft might be interested in a letter from Joseph F. Sanislo,

Rain is pouring all over Hayes (Fort Hayes, Columbus, O.) this in the 'most gallery' are catching up on some shuteye. PFC Moran, till '27. He died July 24, 1929. Three Kentucky alumni, the Ft. Hayes photographer, is down in his lab, developing the pictures evil-smelling suspicion stalking that he took at our first social the fair land. event of the season, a dance in for the University of Mexico in this lab, memories of another dark room come back to me. Fr. Baechle was college photographer in our day.

a distorted idea about soldier-living, especially when some of these supposedly well-informed women Ky. Father Rausch is assistant get together. Could they but realize that a uniform doesn't change a man (at least non omnino) this would be a happier Fort and there would be less

# **Alumnus Writes** Popular Book

CAMBRIDGE, O.—An international reputation as the author of volumes of great interest to Catholics is being earned by the Rev. Clement H. Crock, '06-'11, pastor of St. Benedict's Church.

The sale of his latest works, Virtue and Vice, The Commandments and the Sacraments, and The Apostles' Creed (\$2.75 each, Jos. F. Wagner, Inc., New York), which cover a wide field of religious instruction, have passed the 20,000 mark. Bishop Andrew J. Brennan, of Richmond, used the books throughout his diocese in the past year, and a Midwestern Bishop, the publisher announces, ordered 165 copies as Christmas gifts to his pastors.

### **LEADER**



REV. DIDACUS BRACKMAN

Among the men who did their share to help make St. Joseph's what it is can be numbered the Sunday p. m. Some of the fellows Rev. Didacus Brackman, C.PP.S., are bowling, while many of those '92-'99. Father Brackman was president of St Joseph's from '25

Paydays, when the eagle spreads the Mess Hall. Whenever I visit its wings here, seems to be the happiest day of the month for some fellows. I note that quite a few send part of their geld home—the safest place on earth. Thousands of people must have Of course, there are those who take their share of the amber liquid down the hatch. But this doesn't and can't last for long, because the roll has a 'last peel' and the soldier returns to the Fort, a sick and wiser man than when he left. But this is your crosscut; the same applies to the outside.